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Applicant: Venkatesan et al.

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Title: NICKEL HYDROXIDE PASTE WITH PECTIN BINDER

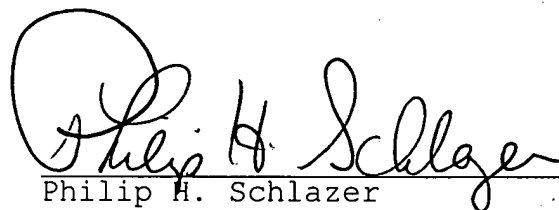
**REQUEST FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby request an extension of time for a period of THREE months to respond to the Office Action dated July 12, 2001. This request is made under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a). The period for response has expired on December 7, 2001 and is accordingly requested to be extended to March 7, 2002.

Authorization is hereby given to charge the fees set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17 in connection with this petition to Deposit Account No. 05-1068.


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